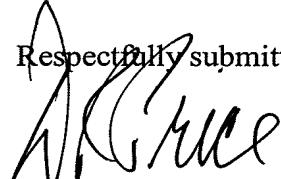


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Entry of this amendment prior to examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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